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SUBJECT: INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS RESUME

REF: STATE 119870, 119965

SUMMARY: INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS RESUMED JUNE 11 AGAINST
BACKDROP MINOR INTERCOMMUNAL VIOLENCE. EXPERTS TO MEET
AGAIN. PUBLIC STATEMENTS ALL PARTIES RELATIVELY MODERATE.
END SUMMARY

1. GIVEN SHORTNESS OF TIME AND POSSIBILITY OF ANOTHER DE-
FERRAL OF TALKS, CHARGE TELEPHONED DENKTASH, CLERIDES AND FONMIN
JUNE 10 WITH MESSAGE PARA 5 STATE 119870. JUNE 11,
FONMINDIRGEN VENIAMIN TOLD CHARGE THAT GOCYPRUS DID NOT RPT NOT
INTEND TERMINATE TALKS AND AGREED IT DESIRABLE KEEP NEGOTIATIONS
ALIVE.

2. FIVE-PARTY TALKS RESUMED LATER SAME DAY. CLERIDES PRE-
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SENTED PAPER WHICH (ACCORDING TO OSORIO) WAS STRAIGHT

RECAPITULATION OF BASIC GOCYPRUS VIEWS ON NATURE OF FUTURE STATE, LIMITS OF COMMUNAL AUTHORITY. DENKTASH PROMISED PAPER FOR NEXT MEETING, SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 18. MEANWHILE, EXPERTS WILL RESUME WORKING WHERE THEY LEFT OFF APRIL 2, ON QUESTION OF CONTROL OF LOCAL GOVT. (IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT EXPERTS HAD COME VERY CLOSE TO DESCRIBING MUTUALLY-ACCEPTABLE CONTROL FORMAT IN LATE MARCH. WHEN EXPERTS' TALKS INTERRUPTED, THERE WAS SOME CONFUSION WHETHER ALDIKACTI WAS IN FACT WITHDRAWING EARLIER CONCESSIONS. DEKLERIS IS ANXIOUS TO CHECK THIS POINT.)

3. NOBODY (AND SPECIFICALLY OSORIO AND CLERIDES) OFFERS MUCH HOPE THAT TALKS WILL GET VERY FAR ON BASIC ISSUES, BUT NOBODY INCLUDING GOCYPRUS LOOKS FORWARD TO SEEING THEM TERMINATE. (SEPTTEL CONTAINS OUR RECOMMENDATION AS TO USG COURSE.)

4. BEFORE AND AFTER MEETING, PARTICIPANTS WERE UNHELPFULLY PUSHED BY PRESS TO DENY THEY WERE RETREATING FROM EARLIER POSITIONS. CLERIDES GAVE PUBLIC STATEMENT DRAWN FROM HIS PAPER, BUT DENIED THAT CONTINUATION OF TALKS "NECESSARILY" WOULD DEPEND ON DENKTASH ANSWER. DEKLERIS MADE POINT THAT 1960 CONSTITUTION "CORRECTLY" CONSIDERED UNITARY, BUT AVOIDED OTHER CONTENTIOUS REMARKS, AS DID OTHER PARTICIPANTS.

5. TALKS RESUMED AGAINST BACKGROUD MINOR INTERCOMMUNAL VIOLENCE. CLASH BETWEEN GREEK AND TURK CYPRIOTS IN MIXED VILLAGE OF AYIA IRINI (KYRENIA) JUNE 11 RESULTED IN SEVERAL INJURIES. PAPERS REPORT TENSION HIGH. UNFICYP HAS ESTABLISHED TEMPORARY OP, CLAIMS SITUATION LARGELY BACK TO NORMAL. TURK CYPRIOTS ALLEGE (BUT UNFICYP DOES NOT CONFIRM) NATIONAL GUARD PRESENCE IN VILLAGE NIGHT JUNE 11. ADDITIONALLY, TURK CYPRIOTS ALLEGE UNIDENTIFIED GREEK BEAT ONE OF THEIR VILLAGERS OUTSIDE NEARBY DHIORIOS SAME DAY. IN PAPHOS DISTRICT, TWO TURK CYPRIOT POLICEMEN WERE ARRESTED BY CYPOL JUNE 11 AND, MORE OMINOUSLY, TRU (POSSIBLY THROUGH IGNORANCE) ATTEMPTED TRANSIT CLOSED TURKISH VILLAGE. BOTH DENKTASH AND CLERIDES POINTEDLY CONDEMNED VIOLENCE AND APPEALED FOR RESTRAINT.

6. COMMENT: INCIDENTS APPEAR UNRELATED. GENERAL LEVEL
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OF INTERCOMMUNAL TENSION REMAINS LOW BUT WILL PROBABLY RISE
BECAUSE OF INCIDENTS. END COMMENT.
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